



## Press Release

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### GAHANNA CELEBRATES NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

GAHANNA, Ohio – The City of Gahanna Police Department will celebrate National Night Out on Tuesday, August 5 at the Royal Plaza Shopping Center, on Stygler Road, from 6-10 p.m.

The event has become a Gahanna tradition, as it has potentially saved lives, by creating crime and drug prevention awareness, strengthening police-community partnerships, and continuing to make Gahanna a safe and enjoyable place to live, work, raise a family, and visit.

This year's festivities will feature a variety of family-oriented activities such as a fish pond, dunking machine, musical entertainment, classic car show, prizes, and great food!

"We've learned over the years that one of the best ways to educate people about the serious topic of crime and drug prevention is to have a little fun with it," said Deputy Chief Larry Rinehart. "Participants in the National Night Out learn about safety while having a great time – it creates a lasting memory and helps keep those we love out of harm's way."

Our community is not alone in its efforts. On August 5, Gahanna will join citizens, law enforcement agencies, civic groups, businesses, neighborhood organizations, and local officials from thousands of communities across the U.S., Canada, and military bases worldwide, in celebrating the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual National Night Out, sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch.

For more information, call (614)342-4240.